

News from The Fund

The Fund is hiring an additional Program Officer! The selected candidate will work with the President, staff, and Trustees to guide the foundation into the future. Responsibilities will encompass both programmatic and strategic work. Please share with your networks and trusted colleagues; a full job description and application details can be accessed [here](#).

Policy Updates

- The Housing Community Development Network of New Jersey (HCDNNJ), Fair Share Housing Center (FSHC), New Jersey Citizen Action (NJCA), and the New Jersey Institute for Social Justice (NJISJ), all celebrated Lieutenant Governor Tahesha Way's signing of [legislation](#) that will eliminate discrimination in home appraisals. The law prohibits real estate appraisers from considering certain personal characteristics when determining property value, requires appraisers to complete a fair housing and appraisal bias education course, and provides avenues for property owners to seek remedies for home appraisal discrimination. Read statements from [HCDNNJ](#) and [FSHC](#).
- A new dawn to improve New Jersey's primary ballots may be on the horizon. Burlington and Middlesex counties have formally agreed to settle the Conforti v. Hanlon lawsuit seeking to abolish New Jersey's 'county line' ballot design. The League of Women Voters of New Jersey (LWVNJ) and Salvation and Social Justice (SSJ), represented by NJISJ and Campaign Legal Center, applauded the settlement, after having filed an [amicus curiae brief](#) in 2021, challenging New Jersey's use of the county line. NJISJ, LWVNJ, SSJ, as well as the New Jersey Alliance for Immigrant Justice and New Jersey Policy Perspective, also filed a separate amicus curiae brief in the Kim v. Hanlon case [earlier this year](#). Read statements regarding the most recent settlement by [LWVNJ](#) and [NJISJ](#).

Grantee Report

- New Jersey Policy Perspective reports on the School Funding Reform Act (SFRA) with [Reforming School Funding in New Jersey: Equity For Taxpayers, Excellence For Students](#). The report provides data-driven recommendations, suggesting a reevaluation of revenue calculations within SFRA that would better address districts' specific needs.

Events

- October 7 – [Environmental Justice Public Session](#), New Jersey Reparations Council
- October 8 – [15th Annual Financial Justice Summit](#), New Jersey Citizen Action Education Fund
- October 10-11 – [Time for Turbines 7](#), New Jersey Work Environment Council and Environment New Jersey
- October 12 – [Get the Lead Out of Trenton](#), East Trenton Collaborative
- October 19 – [Get the Lead Out of Paterson](#), Paterson Alliance
- October 26 – [Lead Hazards in Orange Listen and Learn](#), The HUUB, Inc.
- October 29 – [Under One Roof](#), Housing and Community Development Network of New Jersey

Job Announcements

- [AAPI New Jersey](#) – [multiple positions](#)
- [American Civil Liberties Union of New Jersey](#) – [Policy Counsel](#)
- [Fair Share Housing Center](#) – [multiple positions](#)
- [League of Women Voters of New Jersey](#) – [Community Organizer](#)
- [New Jersey Citizen Action](#) – [multiple positions](#)
- [New Jersey Institute for Social Justice](#) – [Executive Assistant to the President & CEO](#)

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